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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Discussion with Secretary Rusk on Saturday, November 10, 1962, at 11:30 a.m.

Four subjects were covered.

1. FUTURE OF CUBA

I reiterated to Secretary Rusk my fears that Cuba would evolve as a strong Castro-Soviet base for the conduct of clandestine, insurgent operations against all of Central America, Mexico, and the northern tier of Latin America. I pointed out to the Secretary the removal of the missiles and IL 28s (if they are removed) would leave Castro with a very formidable array of military equipment of a most modern and lethal type, together with an amphibious capability heretofore non-existent which would be useful for the support of insurgents and their equipment to any country he chose as a target.

I called the Secretary's specific attention to Appendix "B" of SNIE 85-4-62 and urged that in developing policy, making commitments concerning "no invasion", and other moves designed to secure the removal of the missiles and bombers, that we not dismiss the long range threat. I pointed out that I had brought this up repeatedly in meetings with the Executive Committee and the Principals and wished to emphasize the point to him.

[Here follows the remainder of the memorandum.]

John A. McCone
Director

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